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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

THOMAS M. CRONIN

Application No.: 09/996,162

Filed: November 27, 2001

For: **CONTROL OF AN ALERT MECHANISM BY  
COMMUNICATION OF AN  
EVENT-ASSOCIATED COMMAND**

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicant for the above-identified application respectfully Petitions the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to November 21, 2004, from the Office Action dated July 21, 2004. The petition filing fee of \$110.00 and a Response to Office Action are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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